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select the member and alternate members of commodity committees on the basis of representation provided in §§917.21 and 917.22. In the event nominations are not made for membership on the Control Committee, pursuant to the provisions of §§917.17 and 917.18, by May 1 of each year, the Secretary may select such members without waiting for nominees to be designated.

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§ 917.27 Alternates.

There shall be an alternate for each member of the Control Committee, and an alternate for each member of each commodity committee. Each such alternate shall possess the same qualifications, shall be nominated and selected in the same manner and shall hold office for the same term, as the member for whom he is alternate. An alternate shall, in the event of such member's absence at a meeting of the committee, act in the place and stead of such member; and, in the event of such member's removal, resignation, disqualification, or death, the alternate for such member shall, until a successor for the unexpired term of said member has been selected, act in the place and stead of said member. In the event both a member and his alternate are unable to attend a meeting the member or the committee members present may designate any other alternative to serve in such member's place and stead provided such action is necessary to secure a quorum.

§ 917.28 Procedure for filling vacancies on committees.

To fill any vacancy on the Control Committee or on any of the commodity committees occasioned by the failure of any person selected as a member or as an alternate member to qualify, or in the event of the death, removal, resignation, or disqualification of any member or alternate member, a successor for the unexpired term of such member or alternate shall be nominated and selected in the manner specified in §§917.17 through 917.19 and

§§ 917.21 through 917.25. If the names of nominees to fill any such vacancy are not made available to the Secretary within a reasonable time after such vacancy occurs, the Secretary may fill such vacancy without regard to nominations on the basis of representation provided for in §§ 917.16, 917.21 and 917.22.

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§ 917.29 Organization of committees.

- (a) A majority of all of the members of the Control Committee shall constitute a quorum, and any action of the Control Committee shall require the concurrence of the majority of all members present at the meeting.
- (b) A quorum of the Pear Commodity Committee and of the Peach Commodity Committee shall each consist of nine members.
- (c) The Control Committee and each commodity committee shall give to the Secretary the same notice of each meeting that is given to the members of the respective committee.
- (d) The Control Committee or any commodity committee may, upon due notice to all of the members of the respective committee, vote by letter, telegraph, or telephone: *Provided*, That any member voting by telephone shall promptly thereafter confirm in writing his vote so cast.

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§917.30 Removal and disapproval.

The members of the Control Committee, including their respective successors and alternates, and the members of each commodity committee, including their respective successors and alternates, and any agent or employee appointed or employed by the Control Committee and the members of any other committee established pursuant